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Council, Public Focus on Crime, Spellman Overpass and Cameras

by Robin Everly

Whether it was the discussion of a resolution to replace the camera surveillance system in Roosevelt Center or recent violent crimes in Old Greenbelt, the city council's major focus at the July 9 regular meeting became crime and crime prevention. It was a productive and at times lively and passionate discourse between citizens and all five councilmembers. Several police officers and Prince George's County Councilmember Ingrid Turner were there.

Because of recent concerns with the pedestrian walkway crossing over the Baltimore-Washington Parkway called the "Spellman Overpass," Councilmember Edward Putens even asked for a discussion of the overpass to be added as an agenda item to an already very full meeting. The

Spellman Overpass, which links Old Greenbelt and Greenbelt East, has been used as an escape route for people committing crimes in Old Greenbelt.

The concerns of crime were voiced first during the "Petitions and Requests" portion of the meeting where citizens can speak on any topic. Three citizens, including a recent crime victim, spoke about their concerns. The first speaker brought up her issues with the Spellman Overpass. She wanted to see the hours it is open restricted to only allowing children walking to and from Eleanor Roosevelt High School, its original intended purpose. The second speaker talked about the brutality of a beating he incurred nine days ago. His comment that "it was not a robbery but more

along the lines of entertainment" was chilling. The teenagers, who had a gun and severely beat the victim causing hospitalization, did not take his wallet. The third speaker asked that a town meeting about crime in Roosevelt Center be organized, saying that the current strategy to deter crime is not inspiring confidence in people using Roosevelt Center. Mayor Judith Davis responded to the Spellman Overpass request by saying she doesn't want to shut out the rest of the city from Old Greenbelt and that both East and West parts of the city have had the same concerns for years. She mentioned that there have been forums set up to discuss crime by the city's Public Safety Committee and nobody has attended.

A resolution to purchase a new camera surveillance system for Roosevelt Center at a cost of \$39,518 from Avrio Group Surveillance Solutions, Inc. brought the discussion back to crime. The resolution had originally been introduced at the April 9 meeting and was up for a second reading and adoption. One of the reasons for an entirely new system is because the technology has improved so much that it makes more sense to replace than repair the existing system.

The new system makes viewing what the cameras are recording accessible over the Internet, rather than a monitoring system which can only be viewed in one location. Betsy Chupek of Avrio Group explained the cameras produce higher resolution digital images than previous cameras. The software can pick up voices but this is not legal in Maryland. As the budget allows, cameras can be added and recordings can be stored

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PHOTO BY TAYLOR BAXTER

Two of the sea monsters afloat on Greenbelt Lake.

Greenbelt Had Handsome Sea Monsters in the Lake

by Don Comis

Three sea monsters surfaced on Greenbelt Lake on July 4 and danced boldly on the lake from morning to about 6 p.m. when Marc Siegel braved a tornado watch and captured them.

I had heard rumors about such monsters surfacing each July 4 so late that afternoon I put on my binoculars and walked to the Community Center to investigate. At the information desk there I learned the monsters were on the lake at that very moment in plain sight.

I walked first to the peninsula to see if they might be around there. No, but through my binoculars I could see that they were at the far end of the lake.

Kayaker

As I walked around the lake and got close to the dam's berm, I started taking photographs. Soon, I got worried when I saw a kayaker paddling toward them for a closer look. I thought he might be in danger as the mon-

sters seemed to be following him and closing in.

But then I realized that this kayaker was escorting the willing creatures to shore. There to help him were Recreation Department Arts Supervisor Nicole DeWald and Public Works employees. They put the creatures on a flat-bed truck but could only fit two of them comfortably on the truck at one time.

The creatures were last seen a day or two after the Fourth, being brought to the far end of the indoor swimming pool so they could feel more at home.

Human swimmers report seeing a giant turtle gracing that very spot last year but say someone broke his leg and he was being treated in a secret part of the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center (GAFC). "He is recovering nicely and is in good spirits – and yes, actually, in a secret

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2007 Outstanding Citizen Nominations Being Sought

by Joe Timer

The Outstanding Citizen award is presented annually at the Labor Day Festival to a Greenbelt citizen who has provided exemplary volunteer service, past and present. Greenbelt's 1997 Outstanding Citizen – the late Michael F. Vaccaro – and the 33 other recipients of the Outstanding Citizen Award have provided countless hours of unpublicized service.

Vaccaro was truly a "community person" and a cheerleader for Greenbelt – his adopted home since 1976. Gwen Vaccaro, Mike's widow, notes that he was also a strong proponent for an "all-inclusive Greenbelt." "He believed that residents of Greenbelt's various neighborhoods – Greenbelt East, Hunting Ridge, Springhill Lake, Greenbriar and Old Greenbelt – should all be included in decision-making for the city," Gwen Vaccaro said.

Vaccaro's volunteer efforts involved youth sports – coaching, officiating and organizing intramural basketball programs. Besides skills development, his focus extended to good sportsmanship, teamwork and the en-

joyment of the game.

His volunteer service also involved crime-watch activities, Boy Scouts, playing Santa Claus, various capacities in the Labor Day Festival, including leadership roles related to the parade and the carnival, a role in the formation of the Greenbelt East Advisory Coalition, plus orchestrating events for his building in Greenbriar.

Mike Vaccaro did not just participate in a given organization. His enthusiasm and his encouragement of others helped make everyone feel welcome and committed to the cause. A leader in the Greenbriar Community Association, he was particularly adept at building consensus.

In mid-November 1997, despite increasing pain and physical hardship, he volunteered to participate in a Channel 5 morning show featuring Greenbelt. Vaccaro commented that Greenbelt, despite its growth and size, maintains its small-town environment. During that interview, Vaccaro also acknowledged that he was

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School Board Moving Ahead On Middle School Plans

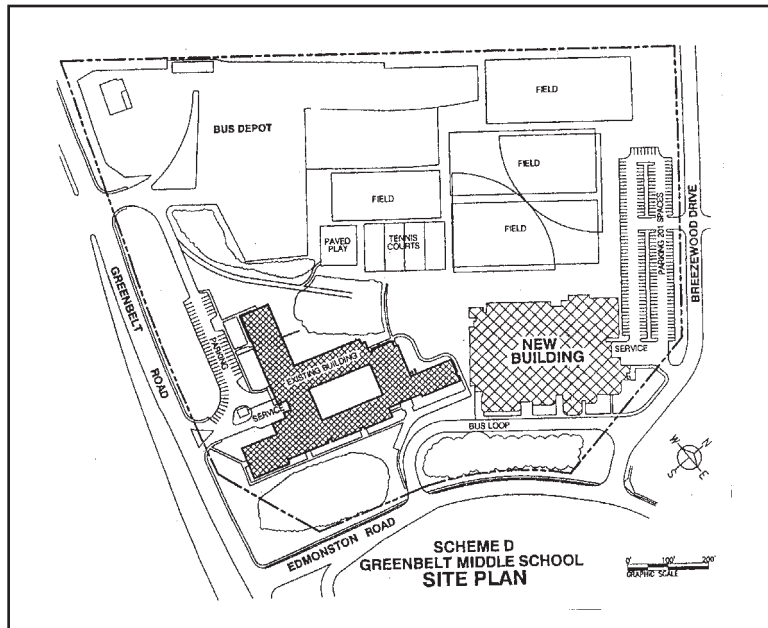
by Elaine Skolnik and Mary Lou Williamson

Owen Johnson, chair of the Prince George's County Board of Education, told the Greenbelt News Review on Wednesday, July 11 that "We are looking forward to providing a new school building on the Greenbelt Middle School site." The architect, he said, is currently working on a feasibility study based on Scheme D (plan shown below) and will address such issues as the site's topography and the new school's placement on the site, parking, etc. When the architect has completed the feasibility study, the school board will hold public

hearings for the Greenbelt community and others.

Since the new school is expected to be completed in 2010, students will still be attending the existing Greenbelt Middle School until the opening of the new facility. A walk through the existing school building by Prince George's County Councilmember Ingrid Turner and several board members in early May revealed deplorable conditions. This led to an inspection by the school system's maintenance crew and

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Site Plan reprinted from March 14, 2002, News Review

Letters to the Editor

Allow Floating Toys

Just about all the children of Greenbelt wish that you would let people use toys in the pool such as noodles, inner tubes and other floating toys.

If you are worried that kids having pool toys would annoy adults, please consider the following. Adults can swim without kids in the pool during adult swim. Also, kids don't usually make a lot of noise if they are occupied. I know because I am a kid and if you do have a problem with noise you could make adult swim longer. Kids will probably make the same amount of noise anyway, which isn't a lot. (And besides, noodles and such could even help kids learn to swim!) So, letting kids use toys in the pool wouldn't drive grown-ups out of the pool.

In order to limit the amount of toys in the pool, kids could be permitted to have only one toy each. If you are also worried that people will forget to take their toys with them when they leave, you could put them in the lost-and-found box and if the toys are too big, you can deflate them.

All of the younger citizens of Greenbelt (and probably some adults too) hope you at least consider what I have said. Thank you for your time and cooperation!

Suzannah Noyes, age 10

Thanks Little League Baseball

The Greenbelt Little League Baseball season has come to a close and now we would like to say a personal thank you to all the people who made our son's experience with organized sports so special.

Thank you to all the coaches of the eight Greenbelt Little League teams and especially to our coaches for the Indians, Greg Fisanich and Frank Kellaher. As coaches, you play a special role in our children's lives. Week after week, we saw how you all kept the love of the game as your guiding principal and shaped your young athletes through positive encouragement. You all also embodied leadership, while teaching our children the true meaning of teamwork.

Thanks to all the warm and welcoming parents we met through this program. You guided us newbie parents through everything we needed to learn and your dedication to embracing all children, on all teams, was a breath of fresh air. You embody good sportsmanship and your children are lucky to have you as parents. A special shout-out to Donna Haselton and Jimmy Browning.

Finally, our deepest thank you to all of the players. It is so heartwarming to encounter a group of boys and girls, ages nine through 12, who are so supportive of each other, who are able to be congenially competitive with each other without ever being combative with each other and who so obviously love to go out on the field and play baseball together. Thanks to each of the talented and dedicated members of the Indians team: Bobby, David, Kyle, Josh, Charlie, Stephen, Ryland, Brian, Doel, Johnny and Gregory. You are the living example of the spirit and the hope of youth.

We feel we have been immersed in the very best of Greenbelt during this baseball season and we miss you all – coaches, parents and players – already. So our heartfelt thanks go out to the entire Greenbelt little league baseball family. To any parents with a child between the ages of 8 and 11 right now, we endorse wholeheartedly the Greenbelt baseball program. Sign your kid up, and sit on the bleachers at McDonald field and watch the games. You will never once regret it. Of this, we are sure.

Congratulations Indians, Greenbelt World Series Champions!

Padi Boyd and Jim Heagy

A Fabulous Fourth

Heartiest thanks to my Recreation Department colleagues, the Police Department, the Department of Public Works and wonderful volunteers who helped make this year's Fourth of July celebration a great experience for all.

Under Chief Jim Craze, Captain Dan O'Neil, Sergeant Jim Parker and fellow Greenbelt Police officers provided a safe setting and kept the public informed about the evening storm as it approached.

The Public Works Department kept the park beautiful through the day, weathered the storm and providing an outstanding fireworks display. Under Director Kenny Hall, Assistant Director Bill Phelan and Assistant Superintendent Operations Carolyn Clemens, the Public Works staff who delivered on this event included: Gene Diest, Jay Leonard, Joe Doss, Frank Kellaher, Karl Skaggs, Will Smith, Mike Rousseau, Raina Maynard, Francisco Villangca, Mike Jawer, Jason Lamberti, Brian Allen, Chris Fleshman and Lewis Carroll. Some staff members worked from 5 a.m. until the end of the evening. Most of the above staff members also helped the Recreation Department with the floating sculpture display featuring three sea monsters created with Session I Creative Kids Camp.

Dubbed the "Greenbelt Navy" by a local resident, this great crew facilitated launch, retrieval and delivery of the sculptures to the Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center for display. The staff of the Aquatic and Fitness Center – including Stephen Parks, Cheryl Conrad, Shirley Winter and Laura Fisher as well as the many part-time staffers – provided a good home for some of Greenbelt's most unwieldy creatures.

Enthusiastic volunteers helped Recreation Department staff with the day's arts activities. Artist Melinda Furcht and husband Taylor Baxter led the camp sculpture workshops. Reprising his starring role in the kayak was Marc Siegel, a long-time member of the Park and Recreation Advisory Board, who anchored and retrieved the sculptures with strength and spirit. During the afternoon activities at a lake-front arts tent culminated in an "Octopus's Garden" display. Tent helpers included campers Reuben Cohen and Jane Gauger, Jane's mom Anna Mezo, Barbara Crammer, the Rowe family, the Commins/Mische family and a delightful teen named Forrest.

Among volunteers who braved the elements and adapted graciously to schedule adjustments were Dave and Sandy Lange, the Adams family and the Saidi

family. Special thanks go to Conductor Tom Cherrix and all members of the Greenbelt Concert Band for their many hours of practice for the performance, sadly rained out, though soundman Ken Voigt held on through the afternoon. Hats off also to Kelly Ivy and Greenbelt Babe Ruth League volunteers for supporting youth sports while enhancing the celebration with their food concessions. Recreation Department staffer Justin Walker added patriotic flair to the event by installing flags and banners at the park.

Both thanks and congratulations go to all campers, interns and counselors from Session I Creative Kids Camp who worked together to create the sculptures. Thanks go to Chris Cherry, Community Center Coordinator and Teresa Trozzo, Creative Kids Camp Manager, for integrating this project into the camp curriculum. Behind-the-scenes support was provided by Creative Kids Camp art instructor Mabel Liles, Camp Encore staffers Matt McLaughlin and Brian King and Creative Kids Camp counselor Mason Trappio. Our elite after-hours studio assistants included DevinRe Adams and Aaron Solomon. Numerous community members contributed recyclable materials used for the monster's scales. Recreation Department arts program staff Barbara Davis and Diana Guillermo helped assemble and launch the sculptures. Monica Mische developed the activities for the arts tent.

Thanks to all who helped and participated in this signature Greenbelt event and to the Greenbelt City Council and residents for making it possible. May we all come together again in the celebration of liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

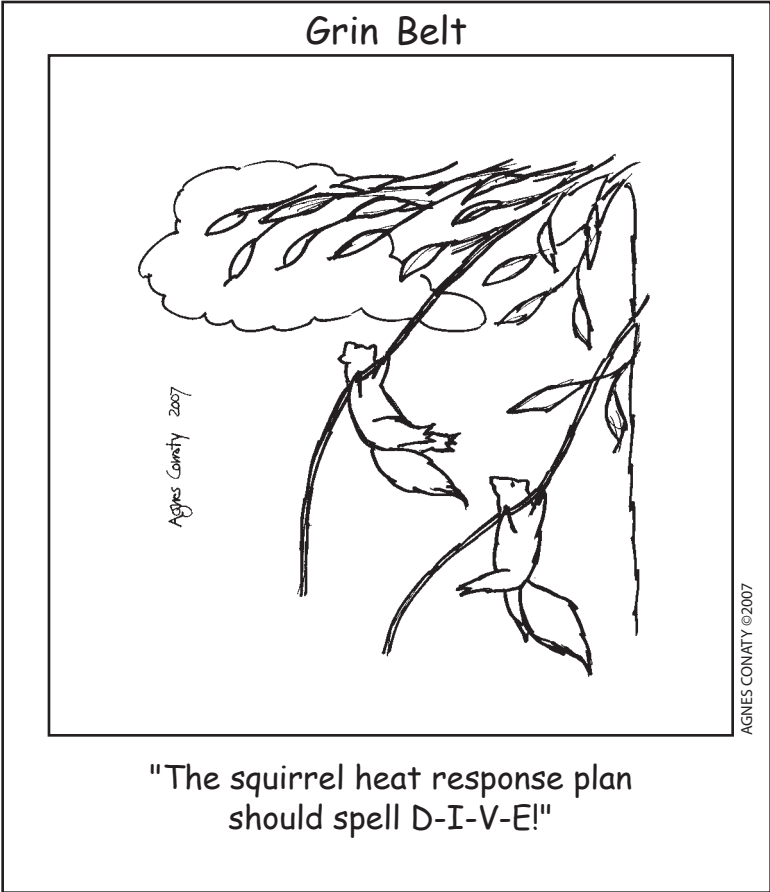
Nicole DeWald, Arts Supervisor

Horried at Crime – Tear Down Overpass

I am sure I am not alone when I say that I was horrified to read of the recent crime on Gardenway. I do hope that the victim is recovering well. As I read the story as printed in this paper, I was further upset by the fact that a more detailed description of the suspects was not printed. The police press release stated the race of the suspects. Why, then, did the News Review feel that this information needed to be omitted from the story? The facts are the facts. The race of the suspects being made known to possible witnesses or people with information regarding their identity is crucial. It is one of the first clues of a person's identity.

Why the News Review felt that printing the information that suspects were black was a tidbit that could and/or should be omitted from the story is beyond comprehension. Are we living in such a politically correct society here in Old Greenbelt that we cannot state such a fact in the community paper?

The suspects were last seen fleeing across the Spellman Overpass. I do not see, other than Roosevelt students walking to school, the benefit of the Spellman Overpass to Greenbelters. Since its inception, I believe there has been an increase in rapes, robberies and assaults on both



sides of the overpass. It seems that the overpass is more of an advantage to the ne'er-do-wells than those using it for its intended purpose. When you have a group of 15- to 17-year-olds at the playground area on Gardenway with a handgun, they aren't in Old Greenbelt to be productive members of our society.

I say it's time to tear it down.

Jasmine Simon

Editor's Note: The News Review's policy is to only note a suspect's race when it is part of a fairly complete description. The information on this crime provided by the Greenbelt Police Department contained only the suspects' race, gender and approximate ages, not enough information to identify anyone.

Traffic Calming Takes Time, Input

In the June 21, 2007, edition of the Greenbelt News Review, a letter to the editor was published which addressed recent traffic calming improvements installed on Ora Glen Drive. Some of the concerns expressed in that letter will be resolved when final traffic calming improvements on Ora Glen Drive are completed. I am pleased to report that after a meeting with members of the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee, we have been able to fine tune the traffic calming plan for Ora Glen Drive and construction on another circle at Morrison Drive and an additional median

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Community Events

GHI Notes

Saturday, July 14, 11 a.m. to noon, Air Conditioning Workshop sponsored by the Sustainable Design and Practices Committee

Monday, July 16, 6:30 p.m., Communications Committee meeting

Wednesday, July 18, 7 p.m., Woodlands Committee meeting

Thursday, July 19, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors meeting

Friday, July 20, noon to 4 p.m., GHI Annual Picnic (offices close at noon)

Unless otherwise noted all events will take place in the GHI Administration Building. Committee and board meetings are open; members are encouraged to attend.

At the Library

Adults

Wednesday, July 18, 7 p.m., a librarian leads a discussion of Ruth Rendell’s “Thirteen Steps Down.”

Children

Wednesday, July 18, 2 p.m., the Maryland Zoo in Baltimore, “Fear: Friend or Foe,” ages 6 to 12.

Storytimes

Tuesday, July 17, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Cuddletime for newborns to 17 months with caregiver; limit 15 babies.

Wednesday, July 18, 10:30 and 11 a.m., Toddlertime for ages 18 to 35 months with caregiver; limit 15 children.

Thursday, July 19, 10:30 a.m., Drop-In Storytime for ages 3 to 5; limit 20 children.

Rocket Boosters Plan Camp, Rocket Launch

The next Rocket Boosters activities for the week-long commemoration of the 38th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing include a campout at Greenbelt Park Saturday, July 14 followed by a Sunday rocket launch contest at Goddard.

The July 14 campout includes disc golf, a treasure hunt, food, a campfire program and overnight camping in Greenbelt Park with side trips to the College Park Aviation Museum and Paint Branch running trail where disc “flyers” (Frisbees) will be in play. On Sunday, July 15 rocketeers and boosters will walk in the footsteps of the Queen of England at the Goddard Visitors Center, with a model rocketry contest where participants vie in launching their model rockets at NASA to see how long each remains in the air. There will be awards for the top rocketeers and certificates for all participants.

The commemoration days are a St. Hugh Knights of Columbus youth outreach program co-sponsored with the National Association of Rocketry Headquarters Astromodeling Section to promote interest in space science by young people. The weekend events are the culmination of rocket building sessions conducted by the Knights to help kids get ready to launch, such as the April 9 build session during spring camp and another this month at Greenbelt’s Camp Pine Tree. The St. Hugh Knights of Columbus coined the Rocket Boosters term in 1992 when the local K of C Council was formed and won an award for best youth program in the state.

For more information visit the website at <http://www.sthughs.com/rocketboosters/2007/>.

Ghost Trains II Next Explorations Video

On Friday, July 20 the summer Explorations Unlimited travel video series continues with Part Two of “Ghost Trains of the Old West.”

Imagine a shrill whistle that cuts through the cool morning air. See flames leap out of the furnace in anticipation. Hear the echoing sound of “All Aboard!” and wonder when the journey will begin. Slowly at first, then ever more rapidly the iron railroad embraces the engines as a steady swirl of smoke caresses the sky. Come ride on the last surviving steam railroads of the Old West. Over 16 different steam engines on 10 separate lines weave through the west, recalling a time when the “iron horse” brought a new civilization to an untamed land. Part Two of Ghost Trains brings memories of a time when brave men forged a nation by laying iron bars end to end. Behind the powerful locomotives of the Union Pacific and the Santa Fe, the Southern Pacific and the Rio Grande followed men and materials to the Old West forever changing the landscape of America.

Explorations Unlimited is held every Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. This presentation will be held in the Senior Lounge, Room 111. All are welcome to attend. Call 301-397-2208 for more information.

Senior Softballers Battle Bel Air

The “Greenbelters” of the Baltimore Senior Softball League battled Bel Air in a doubleheader on Monday, July 9. The first game went to the wire before Greenbelt lost by one run, 16-15, then dropped the second 12-6. Fred Bohle and Jim Dugan totalled five hits each while Dave Kerr hit four triples. Willy White had a long homer and two singles; Harlan Park also had three hits, while Lefty Smith and Larry Dandridge had two each. Manager Ray Reed pitched the first game and John Strekel the second.

Use ’em or Lose ’em At Greenbelt Co-op

Joe Timer, Co-op treasurer, urges any members of the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket who have not yet used their Co-op refund voucher to use it or cash it in by the end of the month. All 2006 patronage refund vouchers expire July 31, the end of the Co-op’s fiscal year. Timer pointed out that vouchers were mailed to the members in early December 2006.

Smokey Bear In Greenbelt Park

Discover the true story of Smokey Bear at the Greenbelt Park Ranger station on Sunday, July 15 at 2 p.m. at the Ranger Station located near the campground. The Greenbelt Park entrance is at 6565 Greenbelt Road. This program is free. RSVP to 301-344-3944.

Hear Live Music At New Deal Café

Blues and jazz piano musician and artist John Guernsey, the “piano man,” plays every Friday and Saturday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the New Deal Café.

Performance times are Tuesdays through Thursdays 7 to 8:45 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays 8 to 10:45 p.m. and Sundays 5 to 7:45 p.m.

Featured this week are a Songwriters’ Showcase on Friday, July 13 and the “Festival of the Song,” also a song writers’ showcase on Saturday. On Monday, July 16 the Galen Kipar Project (www.galenkipar.com) is highlighted. Wednesday finds Midnight Bob and Friends presenting folk tunes and poetry.

On Thursday, July 19, the New York band “Lost Patrol” will appear with the Alice Despard Group at 8 p.m.

Joe and Andy’s S#X trash are slated to open the show at 7 p.m. on Thursday. Next Friday, July 20, folk artists Janet Griffin and Tony Denikos, two of Baltimore’s best-known songwriters will be featured, and next Saturday “The Gliders” will appear, playing and singing alt-country and honky-tonk tunes.

The New Deal Café is open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, Friday 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Call 301-474-5642, email ndc-music-113@hotmail.com or visit the New Deal for more information or to see about joining the lineup of talent.

ERHS Registration Is Open July 31-Aug. 3

Prince George’s Public Schools has issued a registration notice for parents of prospective Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) students who are not already registered for the coming year. Eighth graders who live in Greenbelt and graduated from Greenbelt Middle School or have already been accepted at ERHS do not need to apply again.

Registration for other children eligible to attend the school will be held July 31 - August 3 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Parents will need to provide proof that they have withdrawn the students from their previous school. They also must bring a lease or deed to show that they live in the EHRS school district, a current bill (excluding cell phone bill) showing that address, the prospective student’s birth certificate and shot records including immunization for hepatitis B and varicella. Parents must also bring their social security number and a picture ID.

Register to Compete At Skatepark Sunday

The Recreation Department will host a Mid-Atlantic Skate Series (MASS) event at the Greenbelt Skatepark on Sunday, July 15. This competition will be in the bowl only and is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 5 pm. Skaters of all ages are welcome to register to compete in this event.

Greenbriar Adult Swim

Greenbriar is hosting its annual Moonlight Swim for ages 21 and older on Saturday, July 14 from 8 p.m. to midnight at 7600 Hanover Parkway. Call Tiffane Rose at 301-441-1096, ext.11 for details.

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OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

WEEK OF July 13

Evening

(PG-13)

(No coupons or passes accepted Fri. - Sun.)

Friday

*5, 7:30, 9:45

Saturday

*2:30, *5, 7:30, 9:45

Sunday

*2:30, *5, 7:30

Monday – Thursday

*5, 7:30

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Ratatouille, G (!)
12, 2:35, 5:15, 8, 10:40
Live Free or Die Hard, PG-13 (!)
12:30, 3:20, 7:15, 10:30
Transformers, PG-13 (!)
12, 12:30, 3, 3:35, 6:15 7:15,
9:30 10:20
Captivity, R (!)
12:20, 2:30, 5:15, 7:45, 10:20
Harry Potter & The Order
of the Phoenix, PG-13 (!)
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9:30, 10:20

AUDITIONS

Richard O’Brien’s

THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW

Sunday, July 22 at 2pm

Monday, July 23 at 7:30pm

*Prepare rock-style song not from show.
Bring sheet music, accompanist provided.
Come dressed for movement.*

All Roles Open:

9 men 18 – 50

5 women 18 – 40

*(Note: All characters must be comfortable in high heels,
fishnet tights and women’s underwear.)*

Performances October 19 – November 10

Greenbelt Arts Center

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(Lower level of the Co-op Supermarket)

301-441-8770

www.greenbeltartscenter.org



*Greenbelt Labor Day
Festival Committee, Inc.*

NOMINATION FORM

Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen

Submit this form or a letter by Monday, August 6 to:

Robert Zugby, Chair
94 Ridge Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770

Name of Nominee _____

Address _____

Nominated By:

Name(s) (please print) Signature(s) Phone

Please attach a statement (preferably printed or typed) which explains why the nominee deserves recognition as Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen. Possible subjects include a list of organizations or activities in which the nominee has participated, including length of time; specific accomplishments during each period of service; the impact on Greenbelt or on people within the city; and personal qualities which make the nominee special. Award is for volunteer (unpaid) work only. Supporting printed material will be accepted but is not required. Testimonials by others as to the person’s good works will be helpful. The more information you can provide the committee the better.

Note: All nominators must sign. Use separate sheet if necessary. Thank you!

GIVE BLOOD, GIVE LIFE
Bloodmobile coming soon to Subway
at Greenway Center!

Obituaries

Jeffrey W. Teske

Jeffrey Wayne Teske, 48, died on Friday, June 29, 2007, at Doctors Community Hospital. A Greenbelt native who lived on Hillside Road, Mr. Teske was a longtime member of the Sons of the American Legion Post 136 in Greenbelt.

Mr. Teske loved the outdoors and weightlifting and was an avid biker and runner who was often seen jogging around Greenbelt. He also loved his white 7-year-old Labrador, Megan. He was a union man, working more than 15 years driving a forklift at the Washington Post building before joining Carpenter's Local 491 in Washington, D.C., where he spent more than a decade building stages and setting up lights for major events, including presidential inaugural balls. Two weeks before his death he worked on the staging for the American Library Association's huge book show in Washington.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marianne and Charles Teske. He is survived by his sister Debbie and brother Mike.

Weldon B. Drake, Jr.

Longtime Greenbelter Weldon B. Drake, Jr., died June 29, 2007.

Born January 19, 1934, in Washington, D.C., he attended local schools including Eastern High School.

Mr. Drake served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Iowa BB61 during the Korean Conflict. He moved to Greenbelt after leaving the Navy and later retired from a career in sales.

He liked watching sports events and coached Little League baseball.

Mr. Drake is survived by his brother James Drake and his sister Bonnie Boisvert.

Dorothy E. Fancher

Dorothy Elizabeth Fancher, 84, of Morrison Drive in Windsor Green, died on July 4, 2007. Mrs. Fancher was preceded in death by her husband Cecil E. Fancher.

She is survived by her children Virginia E. Fancher, Louis M. Fancher and Ron E. Wilder and good friends Julie Magness, Kathy Merritt and Kathie and Ken Jarva. Services and interment will be held in Alabama. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Food & Friends, 219 Riggs Road, N.E., Washington, DC 20011.

Donald Barber

Donald Thomas Barber, of 36 Court Ridge Road, died on Friday, June 29, 2007, of respiratory failure. He would have been 77 on July 10, 2007.

Born and raised in Scranton, Pa., he was the seventh son of 11 children.

Mr. Barber served two years in the United States Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He worked for the United States Postal Service from which he retired in 1985. A longtime Greenbelter, Mr. Barber and his family have lived here since 1952.

Mr. Barber was a member of the American Legion College Park Post 217 and a past president of the American Postal Workers Union Local in Hyattsville.

He is survived by his wife Eunice; sister Janet Timlin; five daughters Donna Mangum and her husband Randy, Beth Fendley and her husband Harry, Nancy Barber and Connie Barber, all of Greenbelt and Lois Ladny and her husband Marcus of Crofton; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Services were held on Tuesday, July 3 at St. Hugh of Grenoble Church with burial at Gate of Heaven Cemetery.



Our deepest sympathy to longtime Greenbelters Eunice Barber and her daughters on the death of their husband and father, Donald Barber.

Condolences to Mike Teske, his sister Debbie and the many Greenbelt friends of Jeff Teske, who died on June 29.

Sympathy also to Jim and Gloria Drake and other family and friends of Weldon Drake of Parkway. His late parents, Barbara and Weldon Drake Sr., were longtime residents of 9 Court Ridge Road.

And we are saddened to hear of the death of Dorothy ("Dot") Fancher of Windsor Green on July 4 and offer condolences to her children and friends.

Congratulations to the Wells Ice Rink figure-skating team. They are the first county team to participate in international skating competition. On July 27 they will compete in the ISI World Recreational Team Championships in Chicago. Greenbelt representatives on the team are Christopher Bonnell, Ursula Tooley, Charlie and Alice Murphy, along with other ERHS students Claire Flintoff, Amelia Franklin and Emeatabong Morfaw. More details will be forthcoming.

Everyone is talking about how great the July 4 fireworks at the Lake were this year in spite of the rainstorm a few hours earlier which canceled the band concert. Aren't we lucky to have this celebration every year! The city crew did a masterful job.

To send information for "Our Neighbors" email us at newsreview@greenbelt.com or leave a message at 301-474-4892.

— Kathleen McFarland

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This is the guidance sent forth to mankind by God through the last Prophet, Muhammad (peace be upon him). For more information about Islam, call 301-982-9463 or e-mail info@searchislam.org or visit the website at www.islamguide.com.

In Memoriam

Jeffrey Wayne Teske

Born 7-17-58, Died 6-29-07

Long illness
Good Friend/worker
all around good guy.
— Sean Clerkin

Jeffrey Teske of Hillside Road died on Friday, June 29, 2007, at Doctor's Community Hospital. Jeff was 48 years old and a native of Greenbelt and a member at the American Legion. He is preceded in death by his parents, Marianne and Charles Teske. He leaves behind his beloved dog, Megan. Megan will leave Greenbelt to join her new family with Kim Kennedy-Dean in Tennessee. Both Jeff and Megan will be deeply missed by all who grew to love them.

— Claudia Jones

Jane Love Service To Be Held July 14

A memorial service for Greenbelter Jane Love who died on June 8 will be held on Saturday, July 14 at 4 p.m. at the Atholton Seventh Day Adventist Church in Columbia.

The program will consist of readings from her memoirs at <http://mygreenbelt.com/memoirs> and some of her favorite poetry and music. Greenbelters such as Council-member Konrad Herling and Esther Webb and Atholton church members will be doing the readings. Music will be provided by the world famous Eide-Altman family. A video presentation of her life, travels and artworks will be shown as the memoirs are read. Her body, at her request, was donated to the University of Maryland in Baltimore. Refreshments will be available after the program.

To reach the Atholton Church from Greenbelt, take the Parkway north to Route 32, take 32 west to Route 29 North exit, then take the next exit and cross over 29 on Shaker Drive. Go right on Cedar Lane at the "T" and take the next right to the church parking lot.

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Greenbelt Middle School Students to Wear Uniforms

by Mary Moien

On June 12 Greenbelt Middle School Principal Judy Austin notified parents that “It is official! Greenbelt Middle School has adopted a Mandatory School Uniform Policy beginning the first day of the 2007-2008 school year.”

Austin said that school officials believe that the “proposed mandatory uniform policy will reduce distractions and disruptions caused by clothing, make economic disparities between students less obvious, promote student achievement and create an orderly learning environment.” The proposed mandatory uniform policy is seen as an important step toward achieving Goal 4 of the Prince George’s County Public School’s Master Plan: “All students will be educated in learning environments that are safe, drug free and conducive to learning.”

Beginning with the first school day – August 20 – students will be required to wear school uniforms while on the school campus and on school-sponsored trips.

Girls may wear white or black, collared, long or short sleeved polo shirts or a white long or short sleeved oxford shirt. Khaki tan long pants or pleated or A-

line knee-length skirts are required. Pants may be worn with a black or white belt. Black or white socks or tights are allowed. Stockings or knee highs are not approved.

The boys will have the same uniform top selection as the girls. Pants will be straight legged and khaki tan only and worn with a solid black or brown belt. Black or white socks will be worn.

Both boys and girls may wear an approved solid gray pull-over sweatshirt.

Approved foot apparel for both boys and girls includes solid black standard uniform shoes (with laces tied) or solid black tennis shoes. Black boots can be worn in the winter.

Austin emphasized the professional appearance of the students. “Students must come to school dressed in full uniform. A full uniform consists of an approved top, bottom, shoes and accessories. All pants must be appropriately sized to eliminate any bagging or sagging. Cargo pockets and Capri-style pants are prohibited. A belt must be worn if belt loops are on the garment. No visible label or logo on any article of clothing is allowed.”

Cornett Blog Hits Jump Sharply

Writer and photojournalist William Cornett had hopes that his local news blog (short for “web log,” a type of online journal) at www.insidegreenbelt.com would catch on with the community and it has. In recent days, the readership of the blog has jumped sharply, mainly because of a news video he posted of the aftermath of a violent attack that happened in Old Greenbelt. As of July 2 the blog was recording over 800 visits per day, according to Cornett.

Cornett’s photos have been published in the National Geographic, Time, Newsweek, Washingtonian, Baltimore Magazine and Life as well as the Greenbelt News Review. He has also shot video for area TV stations. But he says his heart is in local news.

Cornett plans to keep doing video reports on all aspects of life here in Old Greenbelt, including some with a more positive slant.

Marriott Now Has Starbucks Shop

On June 20 the Greenbelt Marriott at 6400 Ivy Lane unveiled a Starbucks store operated by Marriott. The new coffee shop is part of a two-year renovation that includes redesign of the 287 guest rooms and suites. The Starbucks outlet offers espresso, latte, biscotti, sandwiches and newspapers.

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Greenbelt’s first physically-challenged Outstanding Citizen.

While he tried to downplay his limitations, other residents told him that they consider him their spokesman. Four days later, Vaccaro died on November 23, 1997.

The Outstanding Citizen award is bestowed annually during the opening ceremonies of the Labor Day Festival. While a committee selects the awardee, that selection is made from nominations submitted from the community. Nominations are due on August 6, 2007.

History indicates that many of Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizens have been nominated several times before their selection. The committee encourages nominators to be persistent!

Help the committee identify 2007’s outstanding citizen by submitting a nomination. Attach a brief statement listing the organizations and/or activities of the nominee specifying the accomplishments, length of service, impact on Greenbelt or its residents and personal qualities that make this person special.

Greenbelt’s Outstanding Citizen award recognizes volunteer (unpaid) work only. Nominations must be signed by the person submitting the nomination; include your phone number and address; and submit it to Bob Zugby, Chair, at 94 Ridge Road; Greenbelt, MD 20770.



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City Information

Meetings for July 16-20
Monday, July 16, 8:00pm, City Council Work Session re: Capital Projects at Municipal Building. (Live on Channel 71)

Wednesday, July 18th, 7:30pm, Advisory Planning Board at the Greenbelt Community Center, Room 112. Agenda: I. Call to Order, II. Approval of Agenda, III. Briefing on Greener Greenbelt Initiative, IV. Adjourn Info: 301-345-5417

Thursday, July 19th, 7:30pm, Employee Relations Board at Municipal Building.

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call the number listed above, or contact the City Clerk at 301-474-8000 or kgallagher@greenbeltmd.gov.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES
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CHILDREN’S WEEKDAY LESSONS SESSION III
Class Dates: July 16 – August 10
Passholders and Residents register: Saturday, July 14
Open Registration: Sun. July 15 through 2pm on Mon. July 16

SUMMER SESSION II ADULT CLASSES
Session Dates: July 16 – August 10
Register now!!
Class listings are available in the Summer Recreation Brochure posted at www.greenbeltmd.gov

Attention Greenbelt Skatepark Members!
The lower portion of the Greenbelt Skatepark will be closed for skate board classes Monday thru Friday from 4:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. thru August 17th. The park will remain open at all other times depending on weather conditions. The upper portion, the “Big Bowl” will remain open to the public during these times.
For further information, please contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department at 301-397-2200.

DONATION DROP-OFF
American Rescue Workers
Saturday, July 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Parking lot between the City Office and the Community Center
For further information contact the City of Greenbelt Recycling Office at 301-474-8303.

Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access Channel 71
MUNICIPAL ACCESS: 301-474-8000: Monday, July 16th at 8pm: Council Work Session on Capital Projects (live)
Tuesday & Thursday, July 17 & 19: 6pm “Ask the Expert Foot Care”, 6:30pm: ACE Reading Club” 7:00pm “Replay of Council Work Session”
PUBLICACCESS(GATE): 301-507-6581: Wednesday & Friday, July 18 & 20: 7pm GAC’s “Don’t Drink the Water”

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island will begin within the next two weeks.

The multi-year Greenbelt East Traffic Calming project will be complete when work on Ora Glen Drive is finished. This project was funded through a \$500,000 bond sale approved by Greenbelt voters. Improvements made as a result of this project include new medians and circles on Ora Glen Drive and Hanover Parkway, pedestrian pathways and bus stops on Hanover Parkway, speed humps on Greenbrook Drive, Mathew Street, Megan Lane and Hanover Parkway and crosswalks on Mandan Road. Decisions regarding what improvements to make and where to make them were made with the consultation and support of adjacent neighborhoods.

Experience has taught us that the process of implementing a traffic calming project sometimes requires that modifications be made to improve the effectiveness of the traffic calming devices. Feedback and comments we receive, such as that reflected in Mr. Warren's letter to the editor, helps us evaluate if traffic calming is working as intended. When necessary, changes will be made.

As the readers of the News Review travel through Greenbelt East, take note of the changes that have been made. Share with the city your observations and suggestions. Comments can be addressed to me directly at ccraze@greenbeltmd.gov. Making

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for 30 days. Councilmember Leta Mach asked if the system could be installed at the Spellman Overpass or in others parts of Greenbelt and it can.

Frank DeBernardo spoke in opposition to cameras being in Roosevelt Center. He made several points such as videotape evidence is not permissible in courts, having cameras can give a false sense of security and do not deter crime, and that private industry should pay for the system not the city government. He recommended better policing methods and Neighborhood Crime Watch groups to deter crime and promote neighborhood responsibility. DeBernardo's comments were then discussed at length by council and others.

With regard to video tape being admissible evidence in court, as long as the recording is not tampered with, it can be used as evidence. Chupek mentioned the system has encryption and the recordings are watermarked, so the recordings have been accepted by courts. Police Chief James Craze felt cameras are another tool in fighting crime and improving police effectiveness. Cindy Comproni, representing the Roosevelt Center merchants, stated the

city streets safe for all citizens is a job that never ends but we hope the changes made through the Greenbelt East Traffic Calming project have helped.

*Celia W. Craze
Director,
Dept. of Planning &
Comm. Development*

merchants support the resolution. Many merchants do not have a large enough profit margin to pay for a security guard for the center and even if they could there would be some difficulty with the authority of the guard because Roosevelt Center is also a city park. Linger-ing in the park is not necessarily considered loitering.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts agreed with many of De-Bernardo's points but decided to support the resolution because of the special circumstance of Roosevelt Center also being a city park and the fact people are allowed to be in the park as long it is open. The resolution to install a new camera surveillance system passed 5 to 0.

About 10 p.m. Davis reordered the agenda as many people remained to participate in the discussion of the overpass. Putens' added item was to refer to two city Advisory Committees – Public Safety Committee and Community Relations Advisory Board – options available for dealing with concerns about the Spellman Overpass.

Sylvia Lewis, president of Greenbelt Homes, Inc., spoke eloquently in favor of keeping the overpass open. She stated "we are one city" and "shouldn't be blocking bridges but building more." Sheldon Goldberg of Windsor Green was glad to hear Lewis say what she did and added we all "have our share of criminal incidents." Council voted in favor of referring this issue to the two advisory boards and then moved onto other matters.

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the announcement that critical repairs and maintenance will be made to the middle school. Upon learning this, Turner said, "I am happy that the Board of Education is moving forward. Their staff has done an on-site evaluation and they have hired an architect to develop plans for the new school so that the students and teachers, in the future, will have a better facility in which to learn."

Meeting

The Greenbelt City Council expects to meet with the Prince George's County Board of Education in their board room in Upper Marlboro possibly on Monday, July 23. The city has been trying to set up a stakeholder's meeting with the Board of Education since last December, in part to discuss plans for the aging Greenbelt Middle School. The board agreed to meet on July 23 if Greenbelt's council would come to Upper Marlboro. At its meeting Monday night council agreed to go to Upper Marlboro but the city clerk told the News Review she hadn't, as of Tuesday, received confirmation of the meeting from the school board. Johnson said the board is working toward a meeting on that date but couldn't yet confirm it.

2002 Plans

A story in the March 14, 2002, News Review presented the four options then under discussion for the middle school – three for reconstruction of portions of the old building and a fourth, Scheme D, for a complete new building. At that time the school board had

selected "Scheme C because it preserves the 1937 and 1945 sections of the building." (City officials had learned that the school board is required to preserve any school buildings that are over 50 years old.)

Scheme C would have demolished and replaced the 1957, 1962 and 1969 wings. The school board expected work to begin in 2004 with completion by September 2006.

The school system, according to the News Review article, "would prefer to build a new building (Scheme D), [but] they do not yet have a plan for how to handle the historic preservation requirements under this scheme."

Apply to Junior Ranger Program

Applications for Greenbelt Park's 2007 Junior Ranger program are available to persons ages 8 to 13 years at park headquarters, 6565 Greenbelt Road.

Greenbelt Park is an 1,100-acre forest with 10 miles of trails, picnic sites and a 178-site campground.

Junior Rangers will participate in nature hikes and learn about animals, plants and water. The second and last program session will be held from Monday, August 6 to Wednesday, August 8 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on each day.

The deadline to register for this program is July 31. Pre-registration is mandatory; all applicants will be reviewed and contacted if approved.

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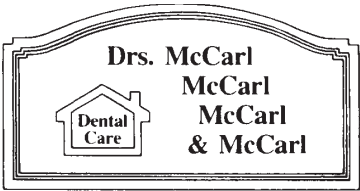


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Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department.
Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Robberies

July 1, 7595 Ora Glen Drive, 4:49 p.m., a man reported that he was in the lobby of the Bank of America conducting an ATM transaction when a man entered the lobby brandishing a knife and announced a robbery. The man made several withdrawals using the victim's ATM card, took the money and fled on foot. The suspect is described as a black male, 35 years of age, 6'2" with a slim build, brown eyes and black hair, wearing a dark blue shirt, dark blue sweat pants and a dark knit hat.

July 3, 7800 block Hanover Parkway, 12:05 a.m., a man reported that he was walking from the parking lot to an apartment when he was approached by three young men. One of them pulled a laptop computer from the man's hand, injuring his hand in the process. The suspects then fled on foot.

Arsons

July 4, 9100 block Edmonston Court, 6:47 a.m., unknown person(s) used unknown means to start a fire in the laundry room of an apartment building. The fire was extinguished by fire department personnel.

July 5, 6000 block Springhill Drive, 7:08 p.m., unknown person(s) set a small object on fire in the first floor landing area of an apartment building. The fire was put out by a tenant.

Suspicious Activity

June 29, Beltway Plaza, 12:14 p.m., a loss prevention officer for Target reported that a man entered the store, picked up a piece of merchandise and then appeared to follow female customers around the store while touching himself. The suspect is described as a black male, 5'11" to 6'1", 170 to 180 pounds, wearing a tan shirt, black shoes and blue jeans. He left the area in a vehicle described as a silver Volkswagen 4-door with Virginia tags.

Vandalisms

June 30, 7800 block Greenbrook Drive, 9:58 p.m., unknown person(s) threw a potted plant through the living room window of a residence.

July 2, 6100 block Breezewood Drive, 12:40 a.m., unknown person(s) vandalized the sprinkler system piping in the basement of a laundry room.

July 2, 9000 block Breezewood Terrace, 9:43 p.m., unknown person(s) broke out the window of a residence.

July 3, 6100 block Springhill Terrace, 4:28 p.m., a witness observed two youths throw an egg and a rock at the bedroom window of a residence, breaking out the window; they then fled the scene on foot.

July 5, 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace, 1:17 a.m., unknown person(s) broke out an apartment window.

Burglaries

July 1, 6200 block Breezewood Drive, 10:42 a.m., unknown person(s) entered a residence by forcing open a sliding glass door. Among the items taken were two televisions and three DVD players.

July 2, 9100 block Edmonston Road, 1:52 p.m., unknown person(s) used unknown means to enter a residence. Among the items taken were jewelry, money

Update on June 29 Gardenway Assault

The late-night attack last week on a man at Gardenway by three teenagers was preceded by an incident with a woman at the corner of Gardenway and Ridge Road. A group of juvenile males and females coming from the vicinity of the Spellman Overpass accosted the woman at 10:45 p.m. One of the males asked for money and when she refused, cursed at her and kicked a bag she was carrying. She managed to get away. She called the Greenbelt Police asking that an officer be sent to the Center where the group was headed, explaining that she was not injured and did not need an officer sent to see her. An officer responded and checked the Center area and then departed.

About thirty minutes later, three teenaged males – possibly from the same group – assaulted a Greenbelt man near at the intersection of Gardenway and Crescent Road.

The male victim emphasized when talking to the News Review on Monday that he had said nothing to the teenagers and had attempted not to be seen. They followed him into the nearby court on Gardenway. He feels they were not interested in robbing him as they did not take his wallet or watch. They did take his cell phone, with which he had attempted to call the police. "They appeared to enjoy" beating him, the victim said, for the sport of it.

The three are described as black, ages 15 to 17 and of slim build. Two were of medium height, one was short, perhaps 5'4." One had a short gel-twist hairstyle.

Anyone with information should call Detective Michael Lanier at 301-507-6530.

and a video camera.

July 2, 9100 block Edmonston Road, 4:35 p.m., unknown person(s) entered a residence by breaking out a window. Jewelry, money and a passport were taken.

July 2, Greenway Center, 7:07 p.m., a manager at Starbucks reported that she observed a man remove and take two espresso machines from a storage room. The suspect is described as a black male in his 40s, 5'6" to 5'8" with a thin build.

Vehicle Crimes

Four vehicles were reported stolen: a 1999 Nissan Sentra 4-door from Ora Glen Drive and Sunrise Court; a silver 2003 Mercedes S500 4-door, Maryland tags 9CFH62 from the 9100 block Springhill Court; a 1992 Honda Civic 4-door from the 11 Court Ridge Road; and a green 1998 Chrysler Cirrus 4-door, Maryland tags RE0657 from the 7200 block Sunset Place.

Five vehicles were recovered, all by outside police departments with no arrests made in any of the recoveries.

Vandalism to and theft from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 7800 block Mandan Road, 6400 block Ivy Lane, Greenbelt Metro Station, 6200 block Breezewood Court, 6000 block Springhill Drive and Beltway Plaza.

Another Springhill Lake Fire; Residents Suspect Arson



For the third time within the last month firefighters from Prince George's County Fire Department were called to battle an apartment fire at Springhill Lake Apartments. Just after 10:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 8 firefighters from Greenbelt, Branchville, Berwyn Heights and surrounding departments were called to the 9100 block of Springhill Court for a reported apartment building on fire. Units arrived on the scene and found a fire in a vacant unit in the basement of the three-story building. Firefighters were able to bring the fire under control within 10 minutes. Residents who live in the building are calling the fire suspicious in nature, stating this was the second time this week and the third time in the last 30 days that fire units were called to their building.

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facility at the GAFC,” DeWald said.

Indeed, DeWald said that the large creatures have surfaced every July 4 for three years now and Siegel has helped 13 of them to date come out of the lake. Five of them from previous years are on display in the hallways of the Community Center on various floors: a giant purple otter and a giant crow and squirrel and two giant frogs. The others are at the Municipal Building and the Greenbelt Library.

DeWald identifies this year’s creatures as a whale, a skate (related to stingrays) and a sea horse. “The seahorse is the tallest monster so far, at 9 ½ feet tall,” DeWald said. She has done research and found the creatures bear an uncanny resemblance to monsters drawn on 16th century maps of Iceland and surrounding waters. “They look like hybrid creatures,” she said, “each combining elements of various animals both known and unknown. There are many theories as to why the crea-

tures only surface on July 4. The favorite theory is that they sense a large crowd around the lake and every year a few more of the many creatures living deep under the lake come to join the festivities and don’t want to leave us.

The feeling seems mutual. In fact, the skate has a new name to help him feel more welcome in Greenbelt: “Gene,” after Gene Diest, the Public Works staff member who is a critical member of the animal recovery team every year.

Up for Adoption

And, as they do for foreign students, Greenbelters can host these creatures. DeWald said, “Greenbelt Elementary School has expressed interest in adopting one and creatures are available for adoption by other public facilities and businesses as well. Interested parties should contact me at 240-542-2057 or ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov. Also, if you can think of a name for the whale and the sea horse, please email me.”



Launching the seahorse. From left to right: Diana Guillermo, Melinda Furcht and Nicole DeWald (Recreation).



Gene Diest wrangling his namesake. – photos by Taylor Baxter



A View from the East Fireworks A Hit, July 3

by Mariana Guerrero

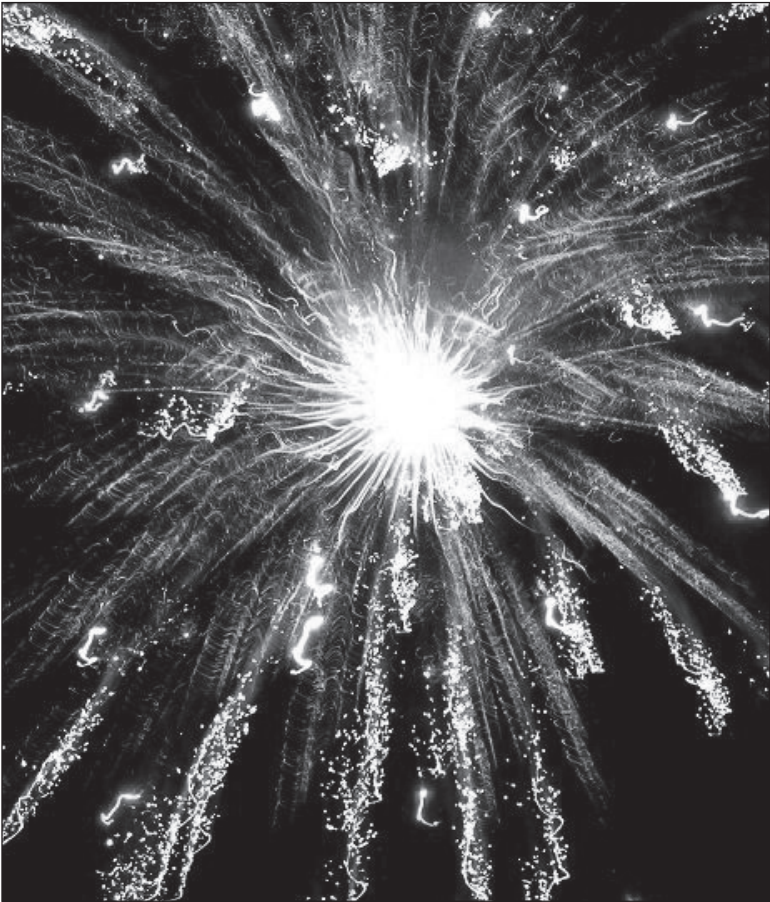
No, it’s not a typo. The East Greenbelt community of Greenbelt Lake Village, a 10-year-old complex that includes condominiums and townhouses, enjoyed fireworks on the 3rd of July. Thanks go to the Trinity Assembly of God church, next to the townhouses but technically in Lanham. Their annual festival in their parking lot includes fireworks over a pond between us. Nearby neighbors can enjoy the show from their decks or backyards. Those in the condominiums or further away can use a large common grassy area.

Some of us invite friends and neighbors to share a good time, in our case with Argentine empanadas, sausages and American hot dogs and hamburgers. For our family, this has grown to a gathering with more than 25 people invited. With pleasant weather, the kids a little older and all those friendly faces around, we had the best yet of our 3rd of July parties.

Some of the kids enjoyed glowing necklaces and wrist bands and even some glowing candy. (Others thought it was too weird to eat but no casualties were reported).

Our family feels deeply Greenbelter at heart. We have lived in Greenbelt for seven years now, essentially since the birth of our youngest daughter Ema Smith and are participants in the Greenbelt nursery school, Creative Kids Camp, Maria’s Beauty Shop, Greenbelt soccer team and the Greenbelt Library, where our late fees are probably larger than average. We often dine at Beijing or the New Deal Café and enjoy movies at Old Greenbelt Theatre.


We are grateful for the News Review’s increasing interest in this farther part of Greenbelt. We look forward to ideas that would help integrate East Greenbelt with Old Greenbelt such as safe bike trails and walking-friendly sidewalks as well as wide distribution of the News Review here. My family volunteers to participate in this effort.



Though we are sure that the July 3 display was impressive, all of these photos taken by Nora Simon are of the Greenbelt fireworks display on July 4.

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

BOARD MEETING

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, July 19, 2007
GHI BOARD ROOM
7:30 PM

Key Agenda Items:

- Greenhill Outfall Stabilization Project Update – Guest, Terri Hruby
- Hedge Height Requirements – Requests for Exceptions to Community Beautification Standards
- Yard Line Certification – 15 Court Laurel Hill Road
- Request for Fence Exception – 43F Ridge Road
- Proposed Skylights in Gardenside Addition – 50C Ridge Road
- Sustainable Energy Plan – A Report of the SDP Committee
- Contract to Rehab 6M Plateau Place
- Schedule Management Office Open House for Board and Audit Committee
- 2007 Townhouse Furnaces Contract – 2nd Reading
- Proposed Rules Change §X.N.2 – Windows
- Membership Selection Criteria

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Live Animal Shows at Clearwater Nature Center

Children ages 6 and up will meet live reptiles and hike to search for and identify local reptiles on Wednesday, July 18 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Clearwater Nature Center. Learn what reptiles eat, how they protect themselves from predators and how they benefit the environment. This is SMARTlink activity #100219.

There will be another opportunity for ages 2 and up to meet live reptiles, amphibians, mammals and raptors. Learn about amazing adaptations that help them survive and why wildlife benefits the environment on Saturday, July 21 from 10 to 11 a.m. This is SMARTlink #100210.

Reservations are required for both events (refer to SMARTlink

numbers above). There is a small fee. For information call 301-297-4575, TTY 301-699-2544.

To sign up for classes and activities go to SMARTlink at www.pg parks.com or call 301-583-BOOK (301-583-2665).

The Clearwater Nature Center is located at 11000 Thrift Road in Clinton.